

REMARKS

For the reasons presented in the amendment filed May 23, 2005, which are not repeated herein, it is believed that all of the claims are allowable. However, to make the issue perfectly clear, a declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 by Mr. David L. Gardell, one of the inventors in both this application and the Gamache et al Patent 6,577,146 B2, is filed herewith to remove any doubt about inventorship in this application.

In view of the above, it is believed that each of the claims now in the application is distinguishable, one from the other, and over the prior art; therefore, reconsideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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